CHAPTER NO. 228

SENATE BILL NO. 1595

By Elsea, Atchley, Crowe, Burks

Substituted for: House Bill No. 1111

By Montgomery, Ford, Walker

AN ACT To adapt the textbook adoption process to the current and immediate future instructional environments and to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Sections 49-3-310, 49-6-2203, 49-6-2204, and 49-6-2207.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE:

SECTION 1. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 49-3-310, is amended by deleting paragraphs 1, 2, 3 and 6.

SECTION 2. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 49-6-2203(b), is amended by deleting the first sentence and substituting the following:

Not less than thirty (30) days prior to the deadline for receipt of bids, the State Textbook Commission shall give notice to school book publishers when bids must be received on all books to be listed, the contracts of which expire or are to be terminated on June 30 of the succeeding year, and when it will meet to consider the bids received.

SECTION 3. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 49-6-2203(d), is amended by deleting the first sentence and substituting the following:

Official samples of all books bid shall be filed with the secretary of the commission on or before a date specified by the commission, but not later than the date the commission meets to approve the recommended official list.

- SECTION 4. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 49-6-2204, is amended by deleting subparagraphs (a), (b) and (c).
- SECTION 5. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 49-6-2207(a)(1), is amended by adding the following sentence to the end of the current text:

The State Textbook Commission is authorized to develop guidelines under which this restriction may be waived.

- SECTION 6. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 49-3-310, is amended by deleting subdivision (5) in its entirety and by substituting the following:
 - (5) For the purpose of this part or Title 49, Chapter 6, Part 22, "textbooks" means any medium or manual of instruction which contains a systematic presentation of the principles of a subject and which constitutes a major instructional vehicle for that subject.
- SECTION 7. This act shall take effect on July 1, 1999, the public welfare requiring it.

PASSED: May 12, 1999

John S. WILDER SPEAKER OF THE SENATE

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APPROVED this 20th day of May 1999

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